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**Multichannel/Multisensor Signal Processing In Uncertain
Environments With Application To Multitarget Tracking**

This research project was concerned with two distinct aspects of analysis and processing of signals received at multiple sensors from multiple sources when the operating environment is highly uncertain and unstructured. In part I, a general approach based upon an independent component decomposition (ICD) was investigated involving as few assumptions as possible compared to existing literature. The approach was developed in conjunction with specific, useful applications such as space and time diversity multiaccess/multiuser digital communications. In part II focus was on maneuvering target tracking using kinematic models.

WORK COMPLETED: Progress was made on the following major aspects of the project:

- 1 TRACKING MANEUVERING TARGETS USING MULTIPLE KINEMATIC MODELS:** We developed a new method (interacting multiple model (IMM) fixed-lag smoothing) for tracking a single maneuvering target in a "clean" environment (no clutter). This work has been reported in [1] and [4]. We extended this approach to tracking a single maneuvering target in clutter in [2] and [5]. Application of this technique to tracking multiple maneuvering targets in clutter is reported in [3] and [6].

We developed a suboptimal filtering algorithm by applying the basic IMM approach and the Joint Probabilistic Data Association (JPDA) technique to a Markovian switching system. A suboptimal fixed-lag smoothing algorithm was also developed by applying the IMM and the JPDA approaches to a state-augmented system. The developed algorithms are applicable to track maintenance (assuming that for each target a track has been formed). A simulation example involving tracking of two highly maneuvering targets (where two sensors, a radar and an infrared sensor, are used) shows that the proposed smoothing algorithm achieves a significant improvement in the accuracy of track estimation by introducing a small time lag between the instants of estimation and latest measurements whereas the computational load for target state estimation increases linearly with lag and that for data association remains the same. Interestingly, other researchers (e.g. Koch, IEEE Trans. AES, pp. 2-14, Jan. 2000) have also recently considered state/probability smoothing (named retrodiction – as an antonym of prediction – by Drummond) in order to better discriminate among tracks of closely spaced targets. Koch considers a version of smoothing that requires exponentially increasing computational burden with time lag d whereas our method of state augmentation increases the computational cost only linearly with lag d .

The work discussed above resulted in the PhD thesis of Bing Chen.

- 2 INDEPENDENT COMPONENT DECOMPOSITION AND ITS APPLICATIONS:**
Here we have investigated several approaches for independent source separation, equalization,

channel estimation, independent component decomposition and multiuser detection for DS-CDMA systems. The results have been reported in refs. [7]-[23] where further details may be found.

Portions of the work referred to above resulted in the PhD theses of Bin Huang and Tongtong Li.

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3. Tong-tong Li, Ph.D. Dissertation, "Blind Channel Estimation and Multiuser Detection for CDMA Systems over Multipath Channels," Auburn University, August 2000. (Will join Lucent in Sept. 2000).

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